

Fourth Grade's 8/13/14 Edition of For Your Information...

- -WEDNESDAY FOLDERS ARE DUE BACK EACH FRIDAY!!! Your child will receive a check if his/her folder is not turned in on Friday for failure to "Be Prepared."
- -PLEASE NOTE: <u>The start of our school day is 7:40 AM. The TARDY bell rings at 7:55.</u> There are several students arriving at school at 8:00 or later!! Your child should already be in his/her seat and hard at work at 7:55... not just walking in the door. By arriving late for class, your child misses out on time to complete morning work and will receive a check for having incomplete morning work in ELA, Math, and/or Reading if the work is not complete by class time. Thank you for your help in ensuring your child is on time every day!
- -ATTENTION! Please return all forms sent home last Friday ASAP! Please be sure to SIGN the forms and INCLUDE PROOF OF ADDRESS with the Student Information Verification form.
- -Please review the bright green Student Handbook with your child, tear out the last page in the handbook, sign it, and send it in. Thanks!
- -Please make sure your child has the basic supplies he/she needs to be successful this school year, especially a BINDER, DIVIDERS, NOTEBOOK PAPER, PENCILS, and 3 COMPOSITION BOOKS!! Thanks for your help!
- -Have you signed up for text message/email reminders from Miss Brown, Mrs. Buck, and Mrs. Thompson?? Directions were sent home last week! Please sign up to stay informed!



- -Important behavior news!!! If your child receives a check for behavior during the day, it will be accompanied by a bright pink "Love Note" to inform you of your child's poor decision or choice that day. Your child will also write how they plan to avoid receiving a check in the future, sign the Love Note, and have you (a parent or guardian) sign it as well so we know you are aware of the behavior problem in class. Love Notes are due back, signed by a parent, the day after they are received.
- If your child will be going home in a manner other than his/her usual method, his/her homeroom teacher <u>must</u> have a written note from you stating the change in dismissal. This is not only for your child's safety, but also to minimize confusion and interruption of the instructional day when your child suddenly realizes he/she doesn't know or remember how he/she will be getting home and has to make a phone call. THANK YOU for your help with this important matter.
- -Please note that your child may NOT carry medication to or from school. If your child has a medication that needs to be taken during the day (Benedryl, Tylenol, etc.), YOU must bring the

medication to our nurse here at school. Our nurse cannot give any medication to your child if it has not been brought in by you or your child's guardian.

Reading News - Mrs. Thompson - Elizabeth.Thompson@sccpss.com

<u>Skill Work:</u> Sign and Return SRI requirements for 4th grade---Your goal Lexile score is a 630 this year!

<u>Quizzes/Tests:</u> Summer Reading Log due Friday! Homework packet due Friday! Vocab test Friday! <u>AR:</u> Read 15 to 20 mins. of AR every night!

Math News - Mrs. Buck - <u>Lindsay.Buck@sccpss.com</u>

Skill Work: Sign and return MAP requirements for 4th grade! Your MAP (RIT) score goal is a 203 this year! Next week: Beginning Unit 1 - Whole Numbers, Place Value, and Rounding! Woohoo!

Quizzes/Tests: We took placement quizzes yesterday (Tuesday) for our multiplication timed tests... Ask your child what fact he/she will be starting with next Friday! Please make sure your child is practicing multiplication facts EVERY night! Timed tests will occur EVERY Friday!! Also, as a reminder, your child has math morning work that is turned in EVERY Friday. The back of the morning work is for a GRADE that counts as a quiz/classwork grade (40%). The morning work is in your child's binder ALL WEEK LONG, and yes, YOU can check over it for them!! Your child is also welcome to turn it in to me so I can check over it and help them with missed problems before it gets turned in for a grade.

<u>Reminders:</u> Visit our math class website for homework, announcements, and LOTS of awesome games to practice what we're learning... http://mrsbucksmathclass.weebly.com - click on the "This Week in Math" tab, then "This Week's Lessons" to see all the games and tutorials related to what we're learning right now!!

ELA News - Miss Brown - Elisabeth.Brown@sccpss.com

<u>Skill Work:</u> We have our very first spelling test this Friday over the words given in the homework packet. Also, make sure the weekly morning work is completed on Fridays! The morning work (Friday page) is counted for a grade, so it must be completed. Starting next week, our new curriculum kicks in—the spelling list will last for two weeks, with a spelling test over the words the first Friday and a vocabulary test over the same words the next Friday (it will only be 10 words!). Next Thursday (the 21st) we will have quiz over parts of speech (we have already started reviewing for this, and the homework will help, too!). We will have a spelling test next Friday, too (22nd). Next week, it is especially important for your student to be here each day—we will be writing an essay as a whole group to model the expected format of all essays for the rest of the year.

Quizzes/Tests: Spelling test on Friday! Quiz over parts of speech next Thursday (Aug. 21)

S.S./Science News - Mrs. Wilkerson - Cecelia.Wilkerson@sccpss.com

<u>Skill Work:</u> We are now learning about regions of the U. S.! This will include map skills and some vocabulary that will be an upcoming test. I am planning to test on Wednesday or Thursday due to other subjects testing on Friday. I will give two days notice before a test. Please note that in S. S. and Science there is no weekly homework. Unfinished classwork, assigned projects, and reviewing for tests are my homework expectations.

Upcoming!!! Bring in two rolls that will fit one inside the other for Science. Examples: toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls, gift wrap rolls, kitchen wrap rolls. You have two weeks, so August 25 is the due date.

Upcoming Important Dates

Sept. 1 Labor Day Holiday!! ©

Sept. 8 PTA Meeting at 6 PM!

